

SENATE BILL 3184

By Bell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68,  
Chapter 215, relative to the Tennessee petroleum  
underground storage tank act.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 68, Chapter 215, Part 1, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

68-215-1\_\_.

(a) In providing for a coordinated statewide program for the regulation of petroleum underground storage tanks pursuant to this chapter, the department shall regulate underground storage tanks only to the extent required by federal law, and shall not exceed such federal regulation.

(b) It is the intent of this section to remove the economic burden on independent storage tank owners faced with unduly burdensome state regulations, thereby creating more competitive pricing to benefit consumers.

(c) On or before July 1, 2013 and each year thereafter, the department and the division of underground storage tanks shall file an annual report with the conservation and environment committee of the house of representatives and the energy and environment committee of the senate to confirm that the department is in compliance with this act.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012, the public welfare requiring it.